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July 19, 2002

The Honorable M. J. "Mike" Foster Governor of the State of Louisiana The Honorable Charlie DeWitt Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable John J. Hainkel, Jr. President of the Senate

Re: 2001 Annual Actuarial Report on Louisiana Public Retirement Systems

Gentlemen:

The Office of the Legislative Auditor is pleased to submit the 2001 Annual Actuarial Report on Louisiana Public Retirement Systems in accordance with Louisiana statutes R.S. 24:513C(1) and R.S. 11:271C(2). The actuarial and financial status of the thirteen state and statewide retirement systems are summarized as of June 30, 2001, in the following sections:

- Executive Summary
- Employer Funding for Pension Benefits
- Benefit Formulas and Employee Contributions
- Actuarial Concerns Funding Issues

The report is also available at www.lla.state.la.us/actuary.htm along with comprehensive tables and graphs of the state systems' Unfunded Accrued Liability obligations, including projected amortization schedules and outstanding balances.

Please direct any questions concerning this report to Mr. John E. Sondergaard, Legislative Actuary, at the above address.

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2001 Actuarial Report on Louisiana Public Retirement Systems

Purpose of Report

Louisiana Statutes

Pursuant to *Louisiana Statutes*, the Legislative Auditor must submit periodic reports to the governor and the legislature detailing the financial and actuarial history of the Louisiana Public Retirement Systems. The reports shall also include comments on any findings that may materially affect the actuarial soundness of the retirement systems.

2001 Report

The 2001 Actuarial Report on Louisiana Public Retirement Systems was prepared by the legislative actuary for the legislature, the governor, and other interested parties involved in the retirement systems' decision making process. This comprehensive actuarial report summarizes the financial status of the thirteen state and statewide retirement systems for fiscal years ending in 2001. It also outlines matters for legislative review that would enhance the stability and funding of the public retirement systems. The report includes data for the four state retirement systems and nine statewide retirement systems.

State Systems

For the four state retirement systems, benefits are guaranteed under the state constitution.

LASERS - Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System

TRSL - Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana

STPOL - State Police Pension and Retirement System

LSERS - Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System

Statewide Systems

For the nine statewide retirement systems, benefits are not guaranteed under the state constitution.

ASSR - Louisiana Assessors' Retirement Fund

CCRS - Clerks of Court Retirement and Relief Fund

DARS - District Attorneys' Retirement System

FRS - Firefighters' Retirement System

MERS - Municipal Employees' Retirement System - Plans A&B

MPERS - Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System

PERS - Parochial Employees' Retirement System - Plans A&B

RVRS - Registrars of Voters Employees' Retirement System

SPRF - Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund

Overall Funding for Pension Benefits

Actuarial Funding

The accumulation of assets required to fund any retirement program is contingent upon the actuarial cost method used by each system, the actuarial assumptions employed in the actuarial calculations, and the asset valuation method adopted in the valuation process. Of primary importance is the selection of interest rate assumptions, which includes an inflation component. Interest rates used in the 2001 valuation of the thirteen state and statewide plans range from 7.0% to 8.25%. Overall funding for the thirteen retirement systems has improved Much of the improvement can be considerably. attributed to favorable investment performance prior to 2001, and actuarial funding mandated under the constitution.

Contributions

Pension benefit liabilities for all thirteen state and statewide retirement systems are funded through contributions from employers, members, various taxes, revenue sharing funds, and through investment earnings on plan assets.

Employer contribution rates are actuarially determined each year through an actuarial valuation. Each system member's contribution rate is fixed by statute and may vary for different group classifications within a retirement system. For FRS,

MPERS, and SPRF a portion of the employer contribution rate is set by statute. Any excess required above the statutory limit has been paid from the Insurance Premium Tax Fund (IPTF). In previous years, the IPTF funds allocated to these three systems have been sufficient to meet the combined excess employer contribution. For FY 2002, the projected shortfall in available IPTF is \$9.6 million for FRS and \$2.2 million for SPRF.

Investment Income

Investment earnings include all income earned under the trust such as dividends, interest and capital gains or losses, and are essential to meet the long range projections under the actuarial funding method and assumptions.

Employer Funding for Pension Benefits - State Retirement Systems

General

The state of Louisiana is primarily responsible for funding the actuarial liabilities of the four state retirement systems - defined benefit plans - through general fund appropriations, either directly or as transfer payments to local school districts. annual employer contribution includes the normal cost, amortization payment on unfunded accrued liability (UAL), and a state appropriation for the LSU Unfunded Plan under LASERS and TRSL. The UAL is that portion of the actuarial accrued liability not funded by the actuarial value of the system assets on a valuation date. If assets exceed the actuarial accrued liability then the system is fully funded with a positive credit balance. The normal cost is that portion equal to the year's expected additional benefit accrual.

Guaranteed Payment

Our state constitution guarantees an annual employer payment for the four state systems sufficient to pay the normal cost and amortize the initial unfunded accrued liability (established as of June 30, 1988) by the year 2029; 2009 for State Police. If the legislature fails to provide this payment, the state treasurer must pay the required amount from the state general fund upon a warrant issued by the administrative authority of the retirement system affected by the shortfall.

The constitution requires that the systems' liabilities must be *funded on an actuarially sound basis*.

General Fund Payments

The state's portion of the employer contribution requirement for three of the state retirement systems - LASERS, TRSL, and STPOL - is directly funded from general fund appropriations. For FY 2003, the total estimated amount due from the general fund is \$482.1 million for these three systems.

LASERS

About 69% of the total required employer contribution is paid directly from general fund appropriations. The remaining 31% is paid from self-generated funds and from the federal government for federally funded programs.

Projected Employer Contributions (\$millions)				
Source FY 2002 FY 2003				
From General Fund *	\$165.0	\$184.8		
Other Sources	\$74.1	\$83.0		
Total Required	\$239.2	\$267.8		
Percent of Payroll	13.0%	14.1%		

^{*} Requires an additional state appropriation of \$4.9 million for FY 2002 and \$5.1 million for FY 2003 to fund the LSU Unfunded Plan.

TRSL

About 69% of the total required employer contribution is paid directly from general fund appropriations. The remaining 31% is paid from local school districts, self-generated funds, and from the federal government for federally funded programs.

Projected Employer Contributions (\$millions)				
Source FY 2002 FY 2003				
From General Fund *	\$258.9	\$266.2		
Other Sources	\$116.3	\$119.6		
Total Required	\$375.2	\$385.8		
Percent of Payroll	13.1%	13.1%		

^{*} Requires an additional state appropriation of \$5.3 million for FY 2002 and \$5.5 million for FY 2003 to fund the LSU Unfunded Plan.

TRSL - ORP

In 1990, an optional retirement plan (ORP) was established for academic and unclassified employees of public institutions of higher education. This is a defined contribution plan that is administered by TRSL. The ORP participants are not members of TRSL and their benefits are not guaranteed by the state. Each employer contributes to TRSL the same amount it would have contributed if the ORP participant had been a member. The employer normal cost portion is credited to the participants account (ORP normal cost) while the remainder is retained by TRSL as a payment on the UAL. For fiscal year 2001 the total ORP normal cost payment credited towards participants' accounts was \$55.3 million while the ORP employer payment retained by TRSL to fund the UAL was \$27.9 million. ORP is directly funded by the state from general fund appropriations only on the portion of salary not paid by fees or other selfgenerated funds received by the institutions of higher learning.

STPOL

The state contributes 100% of the employer contribution from general fund appropriations.

Projected Employer Contributions (\$millions)			
Source FY 2002 FY 2003			
From General Fund	\$20.4	\$20.5	
Other Sources *	\$0.0	\$1.5	
Total Required	\$20.4	\$22.0	
Percent of Payroll	56.4%	65.0%	

^{* \$1,500,000} payable from IPTF (Insurance Premium Tax Fund)

LSERS

The employer contribution is paid from local school district funds. This system is fully funded and therefore the only annual employer cost is the normal cost requirement. LSERS actuarial value of assets exceeds the actuarial accrued liability balance by \$43.8 million as of June 30, 2001. The prior year's surplus was \$264.4 million as of June 30, 2000.

The actuarially determined amount for the fiscal year 2002 projected employer contribution is \$3.7 million. However, by statute the required employer

contribution is \$15.1 million (6.0% of projected payroll) which will generate a surplus contribution of \$11.4 million to an overfunded system. The actuarially determined amount for the FY 2003 employer contribution is projected to be \$18.3 million, greater then the six percent statutory minimum of \$15.5 million.

Projected Employer Contributions (\$millions)			
Source FY 2002 FY 2003			
Actuarially Determined	\$3.7	\$18.3	
Percent of Payroll	1.5%	7.0%	
6% Minimum Required	\$15.1	\$15.5	
Total Required \$15.1 \$18.3			
Percent of Payroll	6.0%	7.0%	
Surplus	\$11.4	\$0.0	

Act 1331 of the 1999 Regular Session established an **Employer Credit Account (ECA)** which consists of accumulated excess employer contributions over the actuarially required employer amounts. The account has a balance of \$55.6 million as of June 30, 2001 available to offset future required employer contributions.

Texaco Settlement Fund

The Texaco Settlement Fund evolved from a litigation settlement with Texaco. Under the terms of settlement, Texaco agreed to pay the proceeds to the state over a three-year period, commencing on February 28, 1994.

Based on a recommendation adopted by the Bond Commission, the settlement was paid to the three state retirement systems - LASERS, TRSL and STPOL - to assist in funding their initial unfunded accrued liabilities (IUAL). The allocated funds are treated as a separate account under each system's trust and credited with the actuarial rate of return for the year. When the account accumulates to the outstanding balance of the IUAL, or UAL if smaller, it will liquidate the liability.

Based on valuation interest rate assumptions, we project that the accumulated value of Texaco Settlement Funds will liquidate the applicable liability by the year 2027 for LASERS, 2026 for TRSL, and by the year 2008 for STPOL.

An additional allocation of \$19.4 million was granted to the STPOL fund, ACT 471 of the 1997 Regular Session, to accelerate payoff of the UAL. We project that this addition will complete applicable funding for the system two years sooner, by the year 2006.

Accumulating the Texaco funds will save the state substantial UAL payments that would otherwise be required until the year 2029.

TEXACO FUND BALANCES (as of 6/30/2001) (\$millions)

System	Accumulated Proceeds	Accumulated Interest	Balance
LASERS	\$64.3	\$59.3	\$123.6
TRSL	\$135.5	\$154.9	\$290.5
STPOL	\$24.7	\$14.6	\$39.4
Combined	\$224.6	\$228.9	\$453.4

UAL Balance

As of June 30, 2001, the total Net UAL balance (reduced by Texaco Settlement Funds) for the three unfunded state systems - LASERS, TRSL, and STPOL - is \$5.66 billion:

UAL BALANCES (as of 6/30/2001) (\$millions)

System	Valuation UAL (Funding)	Texaco Funds	Net UAL (Reduced by Texaco Funds)
LASERS	\$2,357.9	\$123.6	\$2,234.3
TRSL	\$3,618.7	\$290.5	\$3,328.3
STPOL	\$133.4	\$39.4	\$94.1
Combined	\$6,110.1	\$453.4	\$5,656.6

The total general fund expenditure for FY 2002 estimated to fund the \$6.1 billion Valuation UAL is \$245.7 million (state's portion of total \$344.2 million UAL amortization payment). This represents about 54.1% of the \$454.5 million in total general fund expenditures required to actuarially fund the three unfunded state systems (state's portion of the \$645.0 million total contribution required for FY 2002).

Employer Funding for Pension Benefits - Statewide Retirement Systems

General

Employer contributions required to fund the actuarial liabilities for the nine statewide retirement systems - defined benefit plans - come from the sources listed in items 1 through 5 below. For example, the employer contribution for statewide system ASSR comes from local appropriations, ad valorem taxes, and general revenue sharing funds as listed under items 1 through 3 below.

Sources of Employer Contribution

System	Local	Ad Valorem	Revenue Sharing	IPTF 4	State General Fund
ASSR	x	X	X		
CCRS	X	X	X		
DARS		X	X		X
FRS	X			X	
MERS	X	X	X		
MPERS	X			X	
PERS	X	X	X		
RVRS	X	X	X		
SPRF	X	X	x	X	

- 1. Local appropriations from municipalities or parishes as a percent of member payroll
- 2. Percent of ad valorem taxes collectible by the rolls of each parish according to statute
- 3. General revenue sharing funds
- 4. Insurance premium tax funds
- 5. State general fund appropriations

Projected Employer Contributions

The projected employer contributions for FY 2002 for the nine statewide systems are shown in the following section of the report titled **Employer Funding for Pension Benefits** - **Contribution Sources** (page 17).

UAL Balances

Under the state constitution, funding requirements for the nine statewide systems are actuarially determined. As for state systems, the annual employer contribution consists of a normal cost payment and (for those systems that generate a UAL under the actuarial funding method) an amortization payment to fund the UAL. As of their 2001 fiscal year end, six of the statewide unfunded systems had a combined UAL balance of \$557.1 million:

Statewide System	UAL Balance (\$millions)
ASSR	\$34.8
CCRS	\$77.5
FRS	\$171.6
MERS (Plans A & B)	\$73.2
PERS Plan A*	\$110.3
SPRF	\$89.7

^{*} As of December 31, 2000 Valuation

The statewide system MPERS is fully funded as of June 30, 2001 since the actuarial value of assets exceeds the actuarial accrued liability balance by \$14.1 million. This surplus balance is net of the \$20.2 million of additional liability added last year for new cost-of-living benefits granted to retirees. Last year the surplus balance was \$110.3 million.

Aggregate Funding

Some of the statewide systems such as DARS, PERS (Plan B), and RVRS employ an actuarial funding method that makes no reference at all to an actuarial accrued liability for prior service (Aggregate Funding Method). Therefore, there is no UAL generated under this actuarial funding technique. For these systems, all employer costs are determined as future normal cost payments.

Benefit Formulas and Employee Contributions

Retirement Eligibility

All thirteen state and statewide systems provide some combination of years of service and age in order to qualify for full retirement benefits. Some provide for an early retirement benefit based on actuarial reduction for the earlier benefit payout. Vested benefits, pre-retirement survivor death benefits, disability benefits, DROP benefits, and cost-of-living adjustments are also included in the overall benefit package of each system and are payable upon meeting established eligibility and statutory requirements.

Benefit Formulas

Louisiana's state and statewide systems provide retirement benefits that are based on a member's years of service, age, and final average compensation at retirement. They are commonly referred to as defined benefit plans.

Formula benefits accrue at a specific rate for each year of service. Final average compensation is based on the actual compensation received for the three (3) highest successive years before retirement. Benefits based on final average compensation are designed to provide a reasonable replacement of pre-retirement income for long service employees. Shorter service employees receive proportionally lower replacement benefits.

Social Security

Social Security coverage is not provided to members during their years of participation in the state and statewide retirement systems with the exception of TRSL Plan B and two statewide plans ñ MERS Plan B and PERS Plan B. The current accrual rates for the non-covered Social Security Systems range from 2.0% to 3.5% for each year of service.

Employee Contributions

All of the state and statewide systems require employee contributions as part of the overall funding requirement to pay for the proposed retirement benefits. The contribution rates are set by statute. They currently range from 2.0% to 11.5% of pay.

Replacement Ratios

The replacement ratios included in the **Benefits** section (page 42) show the amount of normal retirement benefit as a percent of pre-retirement salary for the thirteen retirement systems. They are based on years of service accumulated at retirement for a **new member**. Because of the different nature of the plans covering law enforcement officers and firefighters the replacement ratios are shown at age 55 versus age 65 for other employee groups.

The final exhibit of this section compares the replacement ratios and employee paid portions, including interest, for retirement benefits payable at age 55 after 25 years of service under the various non-Social Security plans. Based on current benefit provisions and salary increase assumptions of each retirement system, our calculations show replacement ratios that vary from 70% to 84% for all state and statewide plans except regular LASERS (state employees) and TRSL (teachers) which are 60% and 59%. This includes 80% for the new Public Safety Plan versus 60% under the old Corrections Plan.

Actuarial Concerns / Funding Issues

Pension Problems

In this section of the report we address some of the pension problems dealing with benefit issues and funding alternatives. Addressing pension problems in advance makes good business sense for the state by giving legislators ample time to take corrective steps to assure that our retirement systems are actuarially sound. Of particular importance are the two largest systems, LASERS and TRSL. These two systems have the largest unfunded liabilities and represent about 72% of a total membership of 330,192 active and inactive members for the combined thirteen state and statewide retirement systems. Actuarial concerns are highlighted in order to give legislators a "quick reading" of pension issues that may require further attention.

EMPLOYER FUNDING FOR PENSION BENEFITS

1. Funding Methods

Funding Method

Although the employee contribution rate is fixed by statute, the employer contribution rate needed to support benefits is determined by the retirement system's actuary, to be reviewed by the legislative actuary and considered by PRSAC (Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee) for adoption and recommendation to the legislature. This determination is accomplished by performing an annual actuarial valuation that calculates the total projected actuarial liability of the expected benefit payouts of each retirement system. An actuarial cost method allocates the computed actuarial liability between future normal cost payments and future amortization payments on the unfunded accrued liability (if any). funding methods target to have contributions plus trust earnings accumulate to meet ultimate expected system benefits and expenses.

SYSTEM ACTUARIAL FUNDING METHODS as of June 30, 2001

State Systems:

System	Funding Method	Creates UAL
LASERS	Projected Unit Credit	yes
TRSL	Projected Unit Credit	yes
STPOL	Entry Age Normal	yes
LSERS	Entry Age Normal	yes

Statewide Systems:

System	Funding Method	Creates UAL
ASSR	Frozen Attained Age Normal	IUAL only
CCRS	Frozen Attained Age Normal	IUAL only
DARS	Aggregate	no
FRS	Entry Age Normal	yes
MERSA	Frozen Attained Age Normal	IUAL only
MERSB	Frozen Attained Age Normal	IUAL only
MPERS	Entry Age Normal	yes
PERSA	Frozen Attained Age Normal	IUAL only
PERSB	Aggregate	no
RVRS	Aggregate	no
SPRF	Frozen Attained Age Normal	IUAL only

Normal Cost

The total **Normal Cost** is that portion of the projected actuarial liability for benefits and expenses allocated to a valuation year by the applicable actuarial cost method. The portion of the total normal cost not funded by member contributions becomes the employer normal cost portion for the valuation year.

Accrued Liability

The portions of the total computed actuarial liabilities not funded as future normal cost payments is the actuarial **Accrued Liability.** Under certain actuarial cost methods it is the liability for benefit service already completed by the valuation population consisting of former active members and members that are currently active.

UAL

The Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL) is that portion of the actuarial accrued liability that is not funded by the system's Valuation Assets on the valuation date. Normally, as of each valuation date, it consists of the unamortized value of the initial unfunded accrued liability (IUAL) and the unamortized values of supplemental accrued liabilities that may be generated each year. These supplemental liabilities originate through actuarial gains or losses, changes in actuarial assumptions or funding methods, and any changes in benefit structures. The UAL is amortized according to the payment methods and periods specified by statute. Under some actuarial cost methods, supplemental accrued liabilities are not amortized and are funded as future normal cost payments.

Employer Contributions

Actuarially required employer contributions are determined by combining the normal cost with UAL amortization payments, along with any other cost items deemed necessary by the actuary to meet ultimate plan liabilities. Projected contribution rates are then established relative to projected payroll.

2. Employer Contribution Rates

Contribution Rates

The employer contribution rates are shown as a percent of payroll. In addition, various retirement systems also require supplemental appropriations from the state, ad valorem taxes, revenue sharing funds, and payments from the Insurance Premium Tax Fund (IPTF). The following contribution rates were adopted by PRSAC (Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee).

Contribution Rates

State Systems

Fiscal Year 2002				
System Actuarially Projected or			LSU Unfunded or IPTF Funding	
LASERS	13.9%	13.0%	\$4,905,596 LSU	
TRSL	13.0%	13.1%	\$5,294,821 LSU	
STPOL	56.7%	56.4%	\$1,500,000 IPTF	
LSERS	7.1%	6.0%	n/a	

Fiscal Year 2003				
System	Actuarially Required*	Projected Rate	LSU Unfunded or IPTF Funding	
LASERS	n/a	14.1%	\$5,126,348 LSU	
TRSL	n/a	13.1%	\$5,533,088 LSU	
STPOL	n/a	60.5%	\$1,500,000 IPTF	
LSERS	n/a	7.0%	n/a	

^{*} The Actuarially Required Rates for Fiscal Year 2002 will be available after the June 30, 2003 Actuarial Valuations are finished.

Ad Valorem Taxes

Ad valorem tax rates shown are a percentage of the aggregate taxes shown to be collectible by the tax rolls of each parish. For some systems, different percentages apply to Orleans Parish. Parochial Employees' Retirement System excludes Orleans and East Baton Rouge Parishes from the tax rolls. TRSL is also entitled to one percent except from Orleans.

Rates for Local Appropriations (Percent of Payroll)

Statewide Systems

	Fiscal Year 2002	*
System	Actuarially Required	Projected Rate
ASSR	12.46%	7.75%
CCRS	8.68%	7.00%
DARS	0.00%	0.00%
FRS	9.00%	9.00%
MERSA	7.89%	7.00%
MERSB	6.16%	3.75%
MPERS	11.61%	9.00%
PERSA	5.68%	5.50%
PERSB	2.47%	2.75%
RVRS	0.00%	0.00%
SPRF	7.00%	7.00%

Rate for Total Public Funds (Local Projected Rate as Percent of Payroll)

Fiscal Year 2003 *					
System	IPTF FY 2002	Ad Valorem FY 2002	Revenue Sharing FY 2002	Local Projected Rate	
ASSR	n/a	0.250 %	Max	12.75%	
CCRS	n/a	0.250 %	Max	8.75%	
DARS	n/a	0.0893 %	Max	0.00%	
FRS (1)	\$15,115,035	n/a	n/a	18.25%	
MERSA	n/a	0.1866 %	Max	8.00%	
MERSB	n/a	0.0634 %	Max	6.25%	
MPERS (1)	\$5,535,258	n/a	n/a	9.00%	
PERSA	n/a	0.2217 %	Max	5.75%	
PERSB	n/a	0.0283 %	Max	2.50%	
RVRS (2)	n/a	0.0625 %	Max	0.00%	
SPRF (1)	\$9,135,591	0.500 %	Max	7.75%	

⁽¹⁾ For FY 2001 IPTF paid \$19,726,553 to Firefighters, \$3,282,929 to Sheriffs, and \$0 to Municipal & State Police.

⁽²⁾ The Ad Valorem Tax for Registrars of Voters includes the Defined Contribution allocation.

^{*} Values based on 6/30 FYE & 2001 Report except Assessors' (9/30 & 2001 Report) and Parochial (12/31 & 2000 Report for its FY 2001 Actuarial /Projected and FY 2002 Projected Rates).

3. Employer Contribution Sources

State Systems

The State of Louisiana is primarily responsible for funding the actuarial liabilities of the four state retirement systems - defined benefit plans - through general fund appropriations or as transfer payments to local school districts.

Projected Employer Contribution for FY 2002 (\$millions)

LASERS

Source	Normal Cost	UAL Payment	Total	LSU Unfunded
General Fund	\$80.1	\$84.9	\$165.0	\$4.9
Other Sources	\$36.0	\$38.2	\$74.1	\$0.0
Total	\$116.1	\$123.1	\$239.2	\$4.9
General Fund as % of Total	69.0%	69.0%	69.0%	100.0%

TRLS

Source	Normal Cost	UAL Payment	Total	LSU Unfunded
General Fund	\$124.7	\$134.2	\$258.9	\$5.3
Other Sources	\$56.0	\$60.3	\$116.3	\$0.0
Total	\$180.7	\$194.5	\$375.2	\$5.3
General Fund as % of Total	69.0%	69.0%	69.0%	100.0%

STPOL

Source	Normal Cost	UAL Payment	Total	LSU Unfunded
General Fund	\$4.1	\$16.4	\$20.4	\$0.0
Other Sources	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Total	\$4.1	\$16.4	\$20.4	\$0.0
General Fund as % of Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	0.0%

Combined State
Unfunded Systems

Source	Normal Cost	UAL Payment	Total	LSU Unfunded
General Fund	\$208.8	\$235.5	\$444.3	\$10.2
Other Sources	\$92.0	\$98.5	\$190.5	\$0.0
Total	\$300.8	\$334.0	\$634.8	\$10.2
General Fund as % of Total	69.4%	70.5%	70.0%	100.0%

LSERS

Source	Normal Cost	UAL Payment	Total	Additional by Statute
Local School Districts	\$18.1	(\$14.4)	\$3.7	\$11.4

Statewide Systems

The following tables list the funding sources for the eleven statewide retirement systems. Total public funds include local appropriations, ad valorem taxes, general revenue sharing funds, and insurance premium tax funds. An initial fixed rate for local appropriations is set by statute at 9% of payroll for Firefighters and Municipal Police Systems and 7% (effective 7/1/2001) of payroll for Sheriffs' System. Employee contributions are not included in the amounts shown below.

Projected Employer Contributions FY 2002 * (\$millions)

ASSR

Source	\$ Amount	% Payroll
Local Appropriations	\$2.12	7.75%
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$4.04	14.79%
Revenue Sharing	\$0.35	1.30%
IPTF	\$0.00	0.00%
Total Public Funds	\$6.52	23.84%

CCRS

Source	\$ Amount	% Payroll
Local Appropriations	\$4.43	7.00%
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$4.04	6.39%
Revenue Sharing	\$0.32	0.51%
IPTF	\$0.00	0.00%
Total Public Funds	\$8.80	13.90%

DARS

Source	\$ Amount	% Payroll
Local Appropriations	\$0.00	0.00%
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$1.46	4.28%
Revenue Sharing	\$0.13	0.38%
IPTF	\$0.00	0.00%
Total Public Funds	\$1.59	4.67%

FRS

Source	\$ Amount	% Payroll
Local Appropriations	\$10.21	9.00%
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$0.00	0.00%
Revenue Sharing	\$0.00	0.00%
IPTF	\$15.12 **	13.33%
Total Public Funds	\$25.32	22.33%
Required Contribution	\$34.87	30.75%

MERSA

Source	\$ Amount	% Payroll
Local Appropriations	\$9.07	7.00%
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$2.70	2.08%
Revenue Sharing	\$0.12	0.09%
IPTF	\$0.00	0.00%
Total Public Funds	\$11.89	9.17%

^{*} All values based on 6/30 FYE & 2001 Valuation, except Assessors' 9/30 & 2001 and Parochial 12/31 & 2000 (prior year values)

^{**} Required allocation is \$24.7 million resulting in an expected shortage of \$9.6 million. See Funding Issues.

Projected Employer Contributions FY 2002 * (\$millions)

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Source	\$ Amount	% Payroll
Local Appropriations	\$1.65	3.75%
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$0.92	2.09%
Revenue Sharing	\$0.04	0.09%
IPTF	\$0.00	0.00%
Total Public Funds	\$2.60	5.93%

MPERS

Source	\$ Amount % Payro	
Local Appropriations	\$16.57	9.00%
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$0.00	0.00%
Revenue Sharing	\$0.00	0.00%
IPTF	\$5.54	3.01%
Total Public Funds	\$22.10	12.01%

PERSA

Source	\$ Amount	% Payroll
Local Appropriations	\$19.28	5.50%
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$2.91	0.83%
Revenue Sharing	\$0.14	0.04%
IPTF	\$0.00	0.00%
Total Public Funds	\$22.33	6.37%

PERSB

Source	\$ Amount	% Payroll
Local Appropriations	\$1.27	2.75%
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$0.37	0.81%
Revenue Sharing	\$0.02	0.04%
IPTF	\$0.00	0.00%
Total Public Funds	\$1.66	3.60%

RVRS

Source	\$ Amount	% Payroll
Local Appropriations	\$0.00	0.00%
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$0.89	13.98%
Revenue Sharing	\$0.11	1.74%
IPTF	\$0.00	0.00%
Total Public Funds	\$1.00	15 73%

SPRF

Source	\$ Amount % Payroll		
Local Appropriations	\$24.76	7.00%	
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$8.09	2.29%	
Revenue Sharing	\$0.43	0.12%	
IPTF	\$9.14 **	2.58%	
Total Public Funds	\$42.41	11.99%	
Required Contribution	\$44.65	12.62%	

^{*} All values based on 6/30 FYE & 2001 Valuation, except Assessors' 9/30 & 2001 and Parochial 12/31 & 2000 (prior year values)

 $^{^{\}star\star}$ Required allocation is \$11.4 million resulting in an expected shortage of \$2.2 million. See Funding Issues.

4. Projected Employer Contribution History - State Retirement Systems

Projected Employer Contribution History (\$millions) as of June 30, 2001

LASERS

Component	FY 2003	FY 2002	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999
Normal Cost	\$123.6	\$116.1	\$118.6	\$107.5	\$97.4
UAL Payment	\$144.3	\$123.1	\$126.0	\$113.5	\$111.4
Total	\$267.8	\$239.2	\$244.6	\$221.0	\$208.8
Percent of Payroll	14.1%	13.0%	13.0%	12.3%	12.4%
Payroll \$	\$1,897.1	\$1,840.3	\$1,879.2	\$1,793.2	\$1,680.5
LSU Unfunded Pmt	\$5.1	\$4.9	\$4.7	\$4.5	\$4.3

TRSL

Component	FY 2003	FY 2002	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999
Normal Cost	\$186.2	\$180.7	\$181.6	\$183.8	\$180.4
UAL Payment	\$199.6	\$194.5	\$221.7	\$245.2	\$267.9
Total	\$385.8	\$375.2	\$403.4	\$429.1	\$448.3
Percent of Payroll	13.1%	13.1%	14.2%	15.2%	16.5%
Payroll \$	\$2,754.3	\$2,668.1	\$2,648.1	\$2,654.2	\$2,566.7
LSU Unfunded Pmt	\$5.5	\$5.3	\$5.1	\$4.8	\$4.6

STPOL

Component	FY 2003	FY 2002	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999
Normal Cost	\$4.2	\$4.1	\$4.1	\$3.3	\$3.2
UAL Payment	\$17.7	\$16.4	\$16.6	\$16.4	\$15.9
Total	\$22.0	\$20.4	\$20.7	\$19.7	\$19.2
Percent of Payroll	65.0%	56.4%	55.8%	63.5%	66.0%
Payroll \$	\$33.8	\$36.2	\$37.2	\$31.0	\$29.1
% After IPTF *	60.5%				

* \$1,500,000 payable from IPTF (Insurance Premium Tax Fund)

LSERS

Component	FY 2003	FY 2002	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999
Normal Cost	\$20.7	\$18.1	\$17.1	\$16.0	\$15.3
UAL Payment	(\$2.4)	(\$14.4)	\$(13.2)	\$(10.7)	\$(5.6)
Actuarial Total	\$18.3	\$3.7	\$3.9	\$5.3	\$9.7
Percent of Payroll	7.0%	1.5%	1.6%	2.2%	4.3%
Payroll \$	\$259.0	\$252.0	\$243.4	\$238.2	\$227.8
Minimum Required	\$15.5	\$15.1	\$14.6	\$14.3	\$13.7
6% Contribution **	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%

** Minimum Required Contribution for LSERS The constitution prohibits an employer rate lower than the employee rate once a system becomes fully funded. Hence, LSERS is required to fund at least 6.0% of payroll (base employee rate) even though the plan is overfunded.

5. Funding Measure Under GASB

Funding Progress

Under Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), public retirement systems show the development of funding progress by including the ratio of net unfunded accrued liabilities (UAL reduced by Texaco and ECA) to the valuation payroll as of the valuation date. Such ratios over time indicate whether or not the system is becoming financially stronger. Usually, the smaller the ratio trends, the stronger the system is financially. This is because the impact of funding liabilities allocated to past service is reducing relative to the growth in membership payroll.

No values are developed for those statewide systems that utilize the Aggregate Funding Method. As mentioned earlier, this funding method does not generate unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities.

Net UAL as a Percent of Valuation Payroll *

State Systems

System	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999	FY 1998
LASERS	125.3%	114.6%	115.6%	114.0%
TRSL	128.9%	125.9%	148.7%	165.5%
STPOL	292.5%	278.8%	349.3%	419.1%
LSERS	-39.8%	-134.0%	-130.3%	-89.6%

Statewide Systems

ASSR	133.4%	133.8%	141.7%	152.3%
CCRS	126.9%	133.5%	141.4%	149.0%
DARS	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
FRS	159.4%	132.3%	81.0%	69.4%
MERSA	52.9%	52.1%	52.6%	53.2%
MERSB	16.3%	18.2%	18.7%	21.0%
MPERS	-7.7%	-67.4%	-76.9%	-51.8%
PERSA	32.7%	32.7%	36.4%	41.2%
PERSB	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
RVRS	0.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
SPRF	26.6%	28.3%	29.5%	32.8%

^{*} All values based on 6/30 FYE & 2001 Valuation, except Assessors' 9/30 & 2001 and Parochial 12/31 & 2000 (prior year values)

6. Funded Ratios

Funded Ratios

Measuring assets against liabilities can vary depending upon purpose. To determine the system's funding progress, all actuarial assets available for plan benefits (including Texaco Settlement Account, Experience Account, and Employer Credit Account; excluding LSU Ag) are measured against the actuarial liability of projected accrued benefits (PBO).

The PBO is a consistent measure of accrued benefits which is independent of the selected actuarial cost method. However, the values produced follow the actuarial accrued liability calculated under the projected unit credit cost method. The ratio of actuarial value of assets to PBO derives the funded ratio, whereas the PBO by itself is not a measure of funded status.

Funding Progress (\$millions) as of June 30, 2001

State Systems

System	Actuarial Value of Assets	РВО	Funded Ratio
LASERS	\$6,602.3	\$8,652.6	76.3%
TRSL	\$12,727.7	\$15,390.4	82.7%
STPOL	\$261.6	\$339.1	77.1%
LSERS	\$1,571.8	\$1,372.7	114.5%
State Total	\$21,163.4	\$25,754.9	82.2%

Funding Progress * (\$millions)

Statewide Systems

System	Actuarial Value of Assets	РВО	Funded Ratio
ASSR	\$107.0	\$161.1	66.4%
CCRS	\$202.2	\$263.8	76.6%
DARS	\$154.5	\$120.2	128.5%
FRS	\$663.4	\$806.1	82.3%
MERSA	\$465.3	\$511.5	91.0%
MERSB	\$89.9	\$97.4	92.3%
MPERS	\$1,275.1	\$1,207.4	105.6%
PERSA	\$1,169.6	\$1,146.7	102.0%
PERSB	\$79.2	\$60.8	130.3%
RVRS	\$44.4	\$42.6	104.2%
SPRF	\$831.1	\$946.6	87.8%
Statewide Total	\$5,081.7	\$5,364.3	94.7%

Funding Progress * (\$millions)

All Systems Combined

System	Actuarial Value of Assets	РВО	Funded Ratio
Combined Total	\$26,245.1	\$31,119.1	84.3%

 $^{^{\}star}$ All values based on 6/30 FYE & 2001 Valuation, except Assessors' 9/30 & 2001 and Parochial 12/31 & 2000 (prior year values)

Funding Eligibility for COLAs

Under current statues, if the "Target Ratio" is less than the "Actual Funded Ratio", the retirement system may consider granting COLA benefits. For an Actual Funded Ratio the state systems and Municipal Police compare Valuation Assets to the accrued liability under the funding method. Valuation Assets do not include assets in the Texaco Settlement Account, Experience Account, and Employer Credit Account. All other statewide systems compare Actuarial Value of Assets to the actuarial liability of projected accrued benefits (PBO). The ratio is then compared to the formula Target Ratio.

Funding Eligibility for COLAs as of June 30, 2001

State Systems

System	Target Ratio	Actual Funded Ratio
LASERS	*	72.7%
TRSL	*	76.5%
STPOL	53.0%	62.5%
LSERS	100.0%	103.0%

^{*} Act 402 of the 1999 Regular Session omitted the Target Ratio Test for this system.

Funding Eligibility for COLAs **

Statewide Systems

System	Target Ratio	Actual Funded Ratio
ASSR	71.7%	66.4%
CCRS	61.5%	76.6%
DARS	89.1%	128.5%
FRS	72.8%	82.3%
MERSA	75.5%	91.0%
MERSB	72.7%	92.3%
MPERS	100.0%	101.1%
PERSA	67.9%	102.0%
PERSB	97.5%	130.3%
RVRS	94.1%	104.2%
SPRF	73.2%	87.8%

^{**} All values based on 6/30 FYE & 2001 Valuation, except Assessors' 9/30 & 2001 and Parochial 12/31 & 2000 (prior year values)

7. UAL Balances

Valuation Balances

Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL) values are dependent on the particular actuarial funding method selected for the system. Certain funding methods do not have a UAL base to amortize and spread all future costs over the participants working lifetime. UAL bases are amortized over a number of years specified in statutes. The Valuation UAL balances of the state systems are not reduced by assets allocated to the Texaco Settlement Account, Experience Account, and Employer Credit Account, where applicable.

Valuation UAL Balance * (\$millions)

State Systems

System	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999
LASERS	\$2,357.9	\$2,209.5	\$2,116.2
TRSL	\$3,618.7	3,518.0	\$4,068.1
STPOL	\$133.4	131.2	\$157.6
LSERS	(\$43.8)	(264.4)	(\$250.8)
State Total	\$6,066.3	\$5,594.3	\$6,091.1

Statewide Systems

System	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999
ASSR	\$34.8	\$34.3	\$33.9
CCRS	\$77.5	\$77.9	\$77.8
DARS	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
FRS	\$171.6	\$132.9	\$75.2
MERSA	\$66.3	\$64.9	\$63.5
MERSB	\$6.9	\$7.6	\$7.8
MPERS	(\$14.1)	\$(110.3)	(\$110.4)
PERSA	\$110.3	\$110.3	\$117.7
PERSB	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
RVRS	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
SPRF	\$89.7	\$88.2	\$86.7
Statewide Total	\$543.0	\$405.8	\$352.0

All Systems Combined

System	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999
Combined Total	\$6,609.3	\$6,000.1	\$6,443.1

^{*} All values based on 6/30 FYE & 2001 Valuation, except Assessors' 9/30 & 2001 and Parochial 12/31 & 2000 (prior year values)

Financial UAL Balance

The financial Net UAL balance is equal to the Valuation UAL balance adjusted for Texaco Settlement funds and Employer Credit Accounts. The balances shown below for the three unfunded systems include amounts held in suspense accounts set up to hold the monies received from the Texaco Settlement. LSERS includes the Employer Credit Account balance.

Net UAL Balance (\$millions) as of June 30, 2001

State Systems

System	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999
LASERS	\$2,234.3	\$2,086.3	\$2,007.9
TRSL	\$3,328.3	\$3,227.7	\$3,821.3
STPOL	\$94.1	\$93.7	\$123.3
LSERS	(\$99.4)	(\$323.1)	(\$307.6)
Total	\$5,557.2	\$5,084.7	\$5,645.0

8. Texaco Settlement

Texaco Settlement Fund

Under Act 4 of the 1994 R.S., the three state systems (LASERS, TRSL & STPOL) began receiving funds from the Texaco Settlement as state aid to accelerate the payoff of the unfunded accrued liability. These funds are held in a suspense account and are not used as an offset to the regular employee UAL amortization payments under Act 257 of the 1992 R.S. The settlement funds are credited with the respective actuarial rate of return earned by each system.

Once the accumulated value of the account balance equals the outstanding balance of the initial unfunded accrued liability, or UAL if smaller, for each system, the account will liquidate the appropriate liability.

Texaco Fund Summary (\$millions) as of June 30, 2001

Unfunded Systems Combined

Fiscal Year	Allocation	Interest	Balance
1993	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
1994	\$116.2	\$0.0	\$116.2
1995	\$44.1	\$8.1	\$168.5
1996	\$44.1	\$26.0	\$238.6
1997	\$20.0	\$31.7	\$290.4
1998	\$0.0	\$52.7	\$343.1
1999	\$0.0	\$46.2	\$389.3
2000	\$0.0	\$61.7	\$451.0
2001	\$0.0	\$2.5	\$453.4
TOTAL	\$224.6	\$228.9	\$453.4

Texaco Fund Summary (\$millions)

as of June 30, 2001

LASERS

Fiscal Year	Allocation	Interest	Balance
1993	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
1994	\$36.0	\$0.0	\$36.0
1995	\$13.8	\$3.4	\$53.2
1996	\$13.8	\$6.6	\$73.6
1997	\$0.7	\$10.4	\$84.7
1998	\$0.0	\$11.0	\$95.7
1999	\$0.0	\$12.5	\$108.3
2000	\$0.0	\$14.9	\$123.2
2001	\$0.0	\$0.5	\$123.6
TOTAL	\$64.3	\$59.3	\$123.6

TRSL

Fiscal Year	Allocation	Interest	Balance
1993	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
1994	\$77.2	\$0.0	\$77.2
1995	\$29.2	\$4.4	\$110.8
1996	\$29.2	\$18.9	\$158.9
1997	\$0.0	\$20.4	\$179.3
1998	\$0.0	\$37.2	\$216.5
1999	\$0.0	\$30.3	\$246.8
2000	\$0.0	\$43.5	\$290.3
2001	\$0.0	\$0.2	\$290.5
TOTAL	\$135.5	\$154.9	\$290.5

STPOL

Fiscal Year	Allocation	Interest	Balance
1993	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
1994	\$3.1	\$0.0	\$3.1
1995	\$1.2	\$0.2	\$4.5
1996	\$1.2	\$0.5	\$6.1
1997	\$19.4	\$0.9	\$26.4
1998	\$0.0	\$4.4	\$30.8
1999	\$0.0	\$3.4	\$34.2
2000	\$0.0	\$3.3	\$37.5
2001	\$0.0	\$1.8	\$39.4
TOTAL	\$24.7	\$14.6	\$39.4

9. Experience Account Summary

Establishment

The 1992 Regular Session established an Experience Account (EA) for LASERS and TRSL to enable cost-of-living (COLA) benefits for current and future retirees. Each year the EA is credited or debited with 50% of the net investment experience gain or loss together with interest on the beginning account balance

Before the EA was enacted, the full investment gain or loss was amortized to adjust future employer contribution amounts. This was required to maintain an actuarially sound funding method.

EA Operation

The EA balance is created by diverting trust assets from the funding process. Those assets are then returned when COLA benefits are approved. Although the EA balance may represent an amount of funds sufficient to cover the expected value of COLA benefits, it does not in itself provide the actual funding necessary to ultimately pay for COLA liabilities. Rather, funding for COLAs requires additional contributions from the state.

Experience Account History (\$millions) as of June 30, 2001

Combined Systems

Fiscal Year	Allocation	Interest	Disburse	Balance	Impact on UAL
1992	\$60.7	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$60.7	\$60.7
1993	\$94.9	\$6.4	\$0.0	\$161.9	\$161.9
1994	\$33.1	\$14.8	\$0.0	\$209.8	\$209.8
1995	(\$52.9)	\$13.4	\$129.4	\$40.9	\$170.3
1996	\$345.3	\$4.1	\$58.4	\$331.9	\$519.7
1997	\$273.3	\$43.6	\$0.0	\$648.8	\$836.6
1998	\$577.8	\$118.2	\$309.4	\$1,035.3	\$1,532.6
1999	\$372.8	\$142.6	\$126.8	\$1,423.9	\$2,048.0
2000	\$608.2	\$236.9	\$170.2	\$2,098.9	\$2,893.1
2001	(\$685.6)	\$2.7	\$565.9	\$850.1	\$2,210.3
TOTAL	\$1,627.6	\$582.6	\$1,360.2	\$850.1	\$2,210.3

The combined balance in the Experience Account for LASERS and TRSL is \$850.1 million as of June 30, 2001. This is 60% lower then the \$2.10 billion combined balance last year.

Experience Account History (\$millions) as of June 30, 2001

LASERS

Fiscal Year	Allocation	Interest	Disburse	Balance	Impact on UAL
1992	\$27.3	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$27.3	\$27.3
1993	(\$2.8)	\$2.2	\$0.0	\$26.7	\$26.7
1994	\$8.5	\$2.4	\$0.0	\$37.6	\$37.6
1995	\$20.6	\$3.6	\$0.0	\$61.8	\$61.8
1996	\$73.8	\$7.6	\$58.4	\$84.8	\$143.2
1997	\$116.2	\$11.9	\$0.0	\$212.9	\$271.4
1998	\$104.6	\$27.6	\$90.0	\$255.1	\$403.5
1999	\$119.6	\$33.4	\$42.9	\$365.1	\$556.5
2000	\$150.0	\$50.3	\$57.9	\$507.5	\$756.9
2001	(\$236.3)	\$1.9	\$89.1	\$184.0	\$522.4
TOTAL	\$381.5	\$140.9	\$338.4	\$184.0	\$522.4

TRSL

Fiscal Year	Allocation	Interest	Disburse	Balance	Impact on UAL
1992	\$33.4	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$33.4	\$33.4
1993	\$97.6	\$4.2	\$0.0	\$135.2	\$135.2
1994	\$24.5	\$12.4	\$0.0	\$172.1	\$172.1
1995	(\$73.4)	\$9.8	\$129.4	(\$20.9)	\$108.5
1996	\$271.5	(\$3.6)	\$0.0	\$247.0	\$376.5
1997	\$157.1	\$31.7	\$0.0	\$435.8	\$565.2
1998	\$473.3	\$90.5	\$219.4	\$780.3	\$1,129.1
1999	\$253.2	\$109.2	\$83.8	\$1,058.8	\$1,491.5
2000	\$458.2	\$186.6	\$112.3	\$1,591.4	\$2,136.3
2001	(\$449.3)	\$0.8	\$476.9	\$666.1	\$1,687.9
TOTAL	\$1,246.1	\$441.8	\$1,021.8	\$666.1	\$1,687.9

10. Insurance Premium Tax Fund (IPTF) - Assessments

Statewide Systems

The Commission deposits 0.7% (0.007) of the Net Premiums with the state treasurer for the exclusive use of the three statewide retirement systems: MPERS, FRS, and SPRF. Net Premiums are the gross direct premiums received in the state, in the preceding year, from insurers doing business in Louisiana and subject to this Part, less returned premiums.

Under law in effect prior to July 1, 2001, funds are first applied to the remaining portion of the actuarially required contributions. Second, the assessment is used for funding of mergers. The aggregate of all mergers being funded in one year cannot exceed 25% of the total year's assessment. Note: Beginning July 1, 2001, allocation priorities change and the first \$1,500,000 of merger allocations will go to pay certain actuarial costs of the state police retirement system (STPOL).

Mergers are funded over a 30-year period, unless a shorter period is approved by PRSAC. A shorter period is limited to 5% of the total assessment in any one-year.

Available Funds (\$millions)

Written Premium Basis	For Calendar Year	Net Premium	Assessment for Deposit	Merger Limit
1990	1991	\$3,301.8	\$23.1	\$5.8
1991	1992	\$3,399.3	\$23.8	\$5.9
1992	1993	\$3,470.8	\$24.3	\$6.1
1993	1994	\$3,452.4	\$24.2	\$6.0
1994	1995	\$3,897.2	\$27.3	\$6.8
1995	1996	\$4,235.4	\$29.6	\$7.4
1996	1997	\$4,158.0	\$29.1	\$7.3
1997	1998	\$4,298.5	\$30.1	\$7.5
1998	1999	\$4,424.8	\$31.0	\$7.7
1999	2000	\$4,376.8	\$30.6	\$7.7
2000	2001	\$4,469.4	\$31.3	\$7.8

After receipt of employee and employer contributions and all dedicated funds and taxes the IPTF allocation is applied to meet the required actuarial contribution. Unused IPTF funds are then returned to the state general fund.

Allocated IPTF Funds (\$millions)

Calendar Year	Fiscal Year	Actual Deposit	Retirement Committee Allocation	Remainder to General Fund
1993	1994	\$23.2	\$8.1	\$15.1
1994	1995	\$24.0	\$10.8	\$13.2
1995	1996	\$23.7	\$13.5	\$10.2
1996	1997	\$28.0	\$10.5	\$17.6
1997	1998	\$29.1	\$12.7	\$16.3
1998	1999	\$30.1	\$9.0	\$21.1
1999	2000	\$31.0	\$13.6	\$17.4
2000	2001	\$30.6	\$23.0	\$7.6
2001	2002	\$31.3	\$31.3	\$0.0

Retirement Committee Allocation By System (\$millions)

Fiscal Year	FRS	SPRF	MPERS	STPOL
1994	\$1.1	\$4.3	\$2.8	\$0.0
1995	\$2.5	\$4.7	\$3.6	\$0.0
1996	\$6.3	\$2.2	\$5.0	\$0.0
1997	\$9.0	\$0.0	\$1.5	\$0.0
1998	\$9.6	\$0.0	\$3.0	\$0.0
1999	\$9.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
2000	\$11.6	\$2.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
2001	\$19.7	\$3.3	\$0.0	\$0.0
2002	\$15.1 *	\$9.1 **	\$5.5	\$1.5

^{*} Required amount is \$24.7 million for FY 2002

^{**} Required amount is \$11.4 million for FY 2002

11. Asset Balances

Assets

Assets held in retirement trusts are built from contributions and earnings thereon. Market Value (fair value) of assets is required for GASB financial reporting including asset/liability and income/expense statements. **Actuarial Value of Assets** is applied for valuation purposes in all thirteen state and statewide systems to smooth market value gains and losses.

The state plans use the term **Valuation Assets** since the actuarial value is reduced for special accounts (Experience Account, Texaco Funds, LSU AG, Employer Credit Account). This value is used to determine annual employer funding requirements and COLA Target Funding tests.

Asset Values (\$millions) as of June 30, 2001

State Systems

System	Market Value (Fair Value) of Assets	Actuarial Value of Assets	Valuation Assets	
LASERS	\$6,083.7	\$6,602.3	\$6,294.7	
TRSL	\$11,855.0	\$12,727.9	\$11,771.7	
STPOL	\$249.9	\$261.6	\$222.2	
LSERS	\$1,486.3	\$1,571.8	\$1,516.2	
State Total	\$19,674.8	\$21,163.6	\$19,804.8	
Percent of Market Value	100.0%	107.6%	100.7%	

Asset Values * (\$millions)

Statewide Systems

System	Market Value (Fair Value) of Assets	Actuarial Value of Assets	Valuation Assets
ASSR	\$97.8	\$107.0	\$107.0
CCRS	\$196.4	\$202.2	\$202.2
DARS	\$148.2	\$154.5	\$154.5
FRS	\$641.9	\$663.4	\$663.4
MERSA	\$447.8	\$465.3	\$465.3
MERSB	\$85.7	\$89.9	\$89.9
MPERS	\$1,195.7	\$1,275.1	\$1,275.1
PERSA	\$1,255.7	\$1,169.6	\$1,169.6
PERSB	\$82.8	\$79.2	\$79.2
RVRS	\$44.6	\$44.4	\$44.4
SPRF	\$810.1	\$831.1	\$831.1
Statewide Total	\$5,006.8	\$5,081.7	\$5,081.7
Percent of Market Value	100.0%	101.5%	101.5%

All Systems Combined

System	Market Value (Fair Value) of Assets	Actuarial Value of Assets	Valuation Assets
Total For All Systems:	\$24,681.6	\$26,245.4	\$24,886.5
Percent of Market Value:	100.0%	106.3%	100.8%

^{*} All values based on 6/30 FYE & 2001 Valuation, except Assessors' 9/30 & 2001 and Parochial 12/31 & 2000 (prior year values)

12. Investment Returns

Annual Rate of Return

State Systems:

	FY 2001		FY		
System	Market Value	Actuarial Value of Assets	Market Value	Actuarial Value of Assets	Expected Long Term
LASERS	-6.25%	0.37%	11.14%	13.78%	8.25%
TRSL	-4.73%	0.05%	13.58%	17.63%	8.25%
STPOL	-0.56%	4.91%	4.59%	9.56%	7.50%
LSERS	-1.85%	1.77%	7.96%	10.72%	7.50%

Statewide Systems:

•	FY:	2001	FY 2	2000		
System	Market Value	Actuarial Value of Assets	Market Value	Actuarial Value of Assets	Expected Long Term	
ASSR	-10.1%	-0.3%	7.70%	8.20%	8.00%	
CCRS	-1.5%	4.2%	4.20%	11.00%	8.00%	
DARS	-9.7%	4.4%	17.10%	13.90%	8.00%	
FRS	-2.9%	0.7%	3.50%	5.50%	7.00%	
MERSA	-4.2%	4.5%	9.10%	11.00%	8.00%	
MERSB	-4.2%	4.2%	8.40%	10.80%	8.00%	
MPERS	-3.4%	1.7%	3.72%	7.35%	7.00%	
PERSA	n/a	n/a	7.20%	8.50%	8.00%	
PERSB	n/a	n/a	5.40%	8.20%	8.00%	
RVRS	5.9%	4.0%	0.80%	6.00%	8.00%	
SPRF	-0.8%	3.3%	5.20%	7.30%	8.00%	

Indices

	FY 2001	FY 2000
Indices:	Annual Rate	Annual Rate
CPI (1)	3.3%	3.7%
Lehman Brothers (2)	11.2%	4.6%
S&P 500 (3)	-14.8%	7.3%

Note: Indices are shown for the twelve-month period ending June 30. (1) CPI (All Items), (2) Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Index, (3) Standard & Poors' 500 Index

13. Participant Census

Membership

Membership data is provided in the following table. Participants are categorized in one of three categories: active member, retired, or as a current member of the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP).

Participant Census * (Payroll in \$millions)

State Systems

System	Actives	Retirees	DROP current	Total	% of All Systems	FY 2001 Payroll
LASERS	64,519	32,292	2,365	99,176	30.0%	\$1,782.9
TRSL	86,884	48,010	3,421	138,315	41.9%	\$2,582.8
STPOL	943	1,066	28	2,037	0.6%	\$32.2
LSERS	14,633	9,450	766	24,849	7.5%	\$249.7
Subtotal	166,979	90,818	6,580	264,377	80.1%	\$4,647.5

Statewide Systems

			DROP		% of All	FY 2001
System	Actives	Retirees	current	Total	Systems	Payroll
ASSR	673	433	23	1,129	0.3%	\$26.1
CCRS	2,180	750	53	2,983	0.9%	\$61.0
DARS	643	174	8	825	0.2%	\$32.8
FRS	3,257	1,255	156	4,668	1.4%	\$107.7
MERSA	5,234	2,444	221	7,899	2.4%	\$125.3
MERSB	2,020	753	49	2,822	0.9%	\$42.6
MPERS	5,846	3,283	237	9,366	2.8%	\$181.7
PERSA	13,354	4,588	216	18,158	5.5%	\$337.1
PERSB	1,912	437	10	2,359	0.7%	\$43.1
RVRS	215	126	5	346	0.1%	\$6.5
SPRF	12,720	2,362	178	15,260	4.6%	\$337.2
Subtotal	48,054	16,605	1,156	65,815	19.9%	\$1,301.1

All Systems Combined

All			DROP			FY 2001
Systems	Actives	Retirees	current	Total	Systems	Payroll
Total	215,033	107,423	7,736	330,192	100.0%	\$5,948.7

^{*} All values based on 6/30 FYE & 2001 Valuation, except Assessors' 9/30 & 2001 and Parochial 12/31 & 2000 (prior year values)

BENEFIT FORMULAS AND EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS

1. Benefit Accrual Rates

Formula

The retirement benefit for all thirteen systems is generally based on the following formula:

Annual Benefit Years of Final
Benefit at = Accrual x Service at x Average
Retirement Rate Retirement Salary at
Retirement

The benefit is limited to an amount not greater than final average compensation.

Benefit Accrual Rates, Retirement Eligibility & Member Contribution Rates (% of Pay) (as of July 1, 2001)

LASERS

	Benefit Retirement Accrual Eligibility		Member Contribution	
	Accruai	Service	Age	Contribution
Regular	2.50%	10	60	7.50%
	2.50%	25	55	7.50%
	2.50%	30	any age	7.50%
Legislators	3.50%	12	55	11.50%
	3.50%	16	any age	11.50%
	3.50%	20	50	11.50%
Wildlife Agents	25.0% FAS	10	55	8.50%
Based on a percent of	37.5% FAS	15	55	8.50%
Final Average Salary (FAS)	55.0% FAS	20	any age	8.50%
	72.5% FAS	25	any age	8.50%
Corrections Officers &	b DPS			
Employed Prior to 8/15/1986	2.50%	20	any age	9.00%
Employed after 8/15/1986	2.50%	20	50	9.00%
All Members	2.50%	25	any age	9.00%
Public Safety Service	secondary plan e	effective 12	/31/2001 pi	rovides:
	3.33%	25	any age	9.00%
Judges & Court Officers	3.50%	18	any age	11.50%
Officers	3.50%	20*	50	11.50%
	3.50%	12	55	11.50%
	3.50%	any	70	11.50%
Early retirement - 20 ye * At least 12 years as a		n actuarially	reduced b	enefits.

Benefit Accrual Rates, Retirement Eligibility & Member Contribution Rates (% of Pay) (as of July 1, 2001)

TRSL

	Benefit		ement bility	Member	
Regular Teachers	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution	
Employed Prior to 7/1/1999	2.00%	5	60	8.00%	
Employed on/after 7/1/1999	2.50%	5	60	8.00%	
Employed Prior to 7/1/1999	2.00%	20	any age	8.00%	
Employed on/after 7/1/1999	2.50%*	20	any age	8.00%	
All Teachers	2.50%	20	65	8.00%	
All Teachers	2.50%	25	55	8.00%	
All Teachers	2.50%	30	any age	8.00%	
Lunch Plan A	3.00%	5	60	9.10%	
	3.00%	25	55	9.10%	
	3.00%	30	any age	9.10%	
Lunch Plan B	2.00%	5	60	5.00%	
	2.00%	30	55	5.00%	
* Teacher's early retires	nent - actuarially	reduced.		•	

STPOL

	Benefit	Retirement Eligibility		Member
	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution
All Employees	31/3%	10	50	8.00%
Employed Prior to September 8, 1978	31/3%	20	any age	8.00%
Employed on or after September 8, 1978	31/3%	25	any age	8.00%

LSERS

	Benefit	Retirement Eligibility		Member *
All Employees	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution
For Retirement	31/3%	10	60	7.5%
On or After	31/3%	25	55	7.5%
July 1, 2001	31/3%	30	any age	7.5%

Early retirement - 20 years of service with actuarially reduced benefits * Increases if system loses full funding status under Act 897 of RS2001

Benefit Accrual Rates, Retirement Eligibility & Member Contribution Rates (% of Pay) (as of July 1, 2001)

	Benefit	Eligibility		Member
	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution
All Employees	31/3%	12	55	8.00%
	31/3%	30	any age	8.00%

CCRS

	Benefit	Eligi	bility	Member
All Employees	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution
Service Prior to 7/1/1999	3.00%	12	55	8.25%
Service on/after 7/1/1999	31/3%	12	55	8.25%

DARS

	Benefit	Eligi	bility	Member
	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution
Employed Prior to 7/1/1990	3.00%	10	62	7.00%
//1/1770	3.00%	18	60	7.00%
	3.00%	23	55	7.00%
	3.00%	30	any age	7.00%
Employed on/after 7/1/1990	3.50%	10	60	7.00%
//1/1770	3.50%	24	55	7.00%
	3.50%	30	any age	7.00%

Early retirement - eligibility based on years of service and attained age; with a 3% benefit reduction for each year prior to certain age/service requirements.

FRS

	Benefit	Eligi	bility	Member
	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution
All Employees	31/3%	12	55	8.00%
	31/3%	20	50	8.00%
	31/3%	25	any age	8.00%

MERS

	Benefit	Eligibility		Member
	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution
Plan A (1)	3.00%	10	60	9.25%
	3.00%	25	any age	9.25%
Plan B (2)	2.00%	10	60	5.00%
	2.00%	30	any age	5.00%

Elected officials receive additional 0.5% accrual for each year elected service

¹⁾ Plan A members: (a) Pre 10/1978 supplemented plan member only = 1% plus \$2 for each month of service prior to 10/1978. (b) Actuarially reduced early retirement with 20 years of service.

²⁾ Plan B members are also covered by Social Security.

Benefit Accrual Rates, Retirement Eligibility & Member Contribution Rates (% of Pay) (as of July 1, 2001)

MPERS

	Benefit Accrual	Eligi	bility	Member
		Service	Age	Contribution
All Employees	31/3%	12	55	7.50%
	31/3%	20	50	7.50%
	31/3%	25	any age	7.50%
Early retirement ñ 20 y	ears of service wit	h actuarially	y reduced b	enefits

PERS

	Benefit	Eligibility		Member
	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution
Plan A (1)	3.00%	10	60	9.50%
	3.00%	25	55	9.50%
	3.00%	30	any age	9.50%
Plan B (2)	2.00%	10	60	2.00%
	2.00%	30	55	2.00%

¹⁾ For members of the supplemental plan only the accrual rate is 1% plus \$2 for each month of service prior to the revision date.

RVRS

	Benefit	Eligi	bility	Member	
	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution	
All Employees	31/3%	10	60	7.00%	
	31/3%	20	55	7.00%	
	31/3%	30	any age	7.00%	

SPRF

	Benefit	Eligibility		Member	
	Accrual	Service	Age	Contribution	
All Employees	31/3%	12	55	9.80%	
	31/3%	30	any age	9.80%	
* A atuarially raduced	aarly ratirament wi	th 20 years	of corrido o	t ago 50	

Actuarially reduced early retirement with 20 years of service at age 50.

²⁾ Plan B members are also covered by Social Security; 3% Reduction for each year below age 62. Benefit applied to monthly final compensation over \$100

2. Benefits

Standard of Living

The following table provides data on two aspects of the retirement benefit. The first portion of the table shows the member's retirement benefit as a percentage of final pre-retirement compensation. The retirement benefit is calculated using the three highest consecutive earning years that the member has over his entire salary history. Showing the benefit as a percentage of salary gives the employer an indication of the plan's desired benefit adequacy level. It also shows the income replacement ratio which the benefits are expected to provide to the member upon retirement, as they replace pre-retirement salary.

Employee Funding

The second part shows what portion of the retirement benefit cost is funded by employee contributions. The member's contributions are accumulated with interest at the valuation interest rate over the designated time period. The accumulated value is then divided by the actuarial present value of the retirement benefit. This is the percent of the benefit cost that is funded by the member's own required contributions.

Hazardous Duty

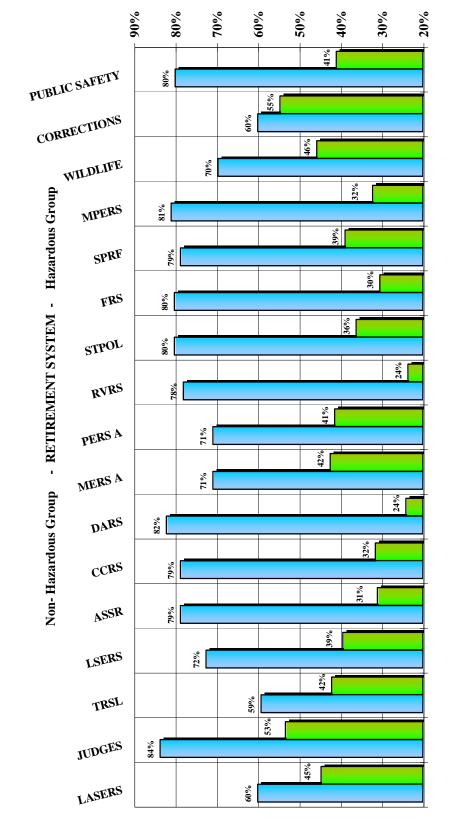
The membership was divided into two distinctive groups based on the nature of work performed. Benefit plans for employees engaged in hazardous duty have traditionally provided benefits at higher levels than those plans for employees engaged in more normal types of employment.

Hazardous duty personnel are typically members employed in law enforcement and public safety. The group shown on the following page is composed of state police, municipal police, sheriffs and deputies, wildlife enforcement agents, prison guards, and firefighters.

	Non-Hazardous Group - New Member				r			
		Replacement Ratio			Percent Self-Funded			
			Years of Service			e at Reti	rement	_
	Division	Age	20	30	40	20	30	40
LASERS	Regular	65	48%	72%	96%	46%	59%	76%
	Legislators	65	67%	96%	96%	59%	72%	100%
	Judges	65	67%	96%	96%	58%	71%	98%
TRSL	Teachers	65	47%	71%	94%	46%	53%	60%
	Lunch A	65	56%	84%	96%	43%	44%	54%
	Lunch B	65	38%	57%	76%	35%	40%	44%
LSERS	Regular	65	64%	87%	97%	38%	53%	73%
ASSR	Regular	65	63%	94%	94%	30%	33%	40%
CCRS	Regular	65	63%	94%	94%	35%	38%	46%
DARS	Regular	65	66%	94%	94%	28%	29%	33%
<i>MERS</i>	Plan A	65	57%	85%	94%	49%	54%	63%
	Plan B	65	38%	57%	76%	40%	44%	49%
PERS	Plan A	65	57%	85%	94%	46%	51%	60%
	Plan B	65	38%	57%	76%	15%	16%	18%
RVRS	Regular	65	62%	94%	94%	26%	28%	30%
	Ha	azard	ous G					
			Repla	Years	Ratio of Servic		nt Self-F rement	unded
	Division	Age	20		25	20		25
LASERS	Wildlife	55	53%)	70%	42%	,	46%
	Corrections	55	48%	,	60%	48%	,	55%
	Public Safety	55	64%)	80%	36%	,	41%
STPOL	Regular	55	64%	,	80%	33%		36%
FRS	Regular	55	64%)	80%	28%)	30%
MPERS	Regular	55	65%		81%	31%)	34%
SPRF	Regular	55	63%)	79%	44%		46%

STATE & STATEWIDE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS RETIREMENT BENEFIT TO EARNINGS REPLACEMENT RATIOS and EMPLOYEE PAID PORTION of BENEFIT COST

ASSUMED RETIREMENT AGE 55 & 25 YEARS OF SERVICE



■ BENEFIT as % of FINAL COMPENSATION■ EMPLOYEE PAID % of BENEFIT COST

ACTUARIAL CONCERNS

FUNDING ISSUES

1. Funding of UAL for State Systems

Concern

Paying off the current \$6.110 billion retirement debt (Valuation UAL) for LASERS, TRSL, and STPOL requires increasing payments in the upcoming years.

Amortization Payments

Amortization schedules adopted in 1992 for TRSL and LASERS provide lower payments in the earlier years with higher payments to be made in later years. Under these schedules, the payments increase at 4.5% per year. Payments are not sufficient to cover the interest charge on the UAL until fiscal year 2013. As the required payments increase they will eventually become large enough to cover both the interest charge and principal portion on the UAL. The law requires full amortization of the initial unfunded accrued liability balance by the year 2029.

FUTURE AMORTIZATION MID-YEAR PAYMENT RUNOUT of June 30, 2001 UAL BALANCES

(At 4.5% Increase Factor)

LASERS

Fiscal Year	Years Out	Future Amortization Payment
2002	1	\$139,993,566
2008	7	\$175,318,961
2015	14	\$238,584,882
2022	21	\$324,681,059
2029	28	\$441,846,060

TRSL

Fiscal Year	Years Out	Future Amortization Payment
2002	1	\$196,359,931
2008	7	\$276,147,778
2015	14	\$375,798,971
2022	21	\$511,410,476
2029	28	\$695,958,996

Payments for State Police are expected to drop substantially after the initial unfunded accrued liability is paid off by fiscal year 2009. This initial liability is being amortized with level payments. Subsequent changes in liabilities are amortized similar to those for the other state systems.

STPOL

Combined UAL State Systems

E:aaal	Vasus	Future
Fiscal Year	Years Out	Amortization Payment
2002	1	\$16,065,072
2008	7	\$20,386,890
2015	14	\$3,152,299
2022	21	\$4,289,843
2029	28	\$5,837,884
		Future
Fiscal	Years	Future Amortization
Fiscal Year	Years Out	
		Amortization
Year	Out	Amortization Payment
Year 2002	Out	Amortization Payment \$352,418,569
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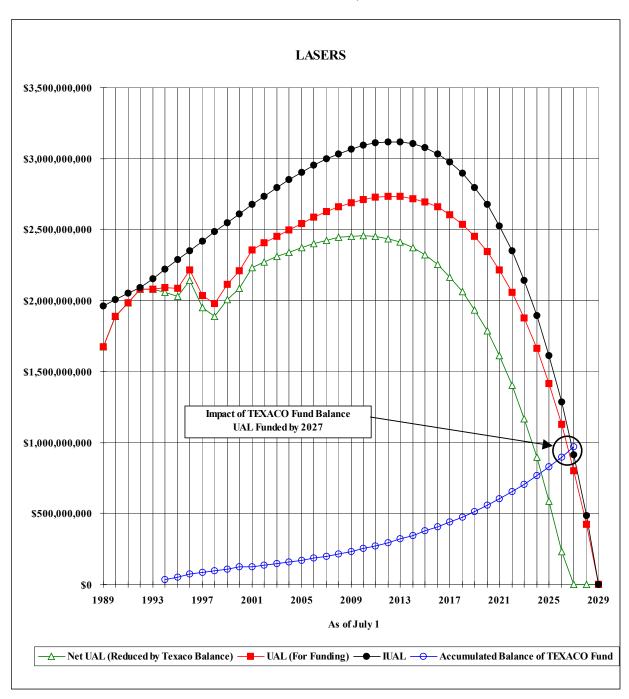
UAL Run-out

The following graphs demonstrate the funding progress of our unfunded state retirement systems as of June 30, 2001 balances. The black curve illustrates the amortization of the Initial Unfunded Accrued Liability (IUAL) established by statute in 1988. The red curve is the Valuation UAL for funding, which nets all other amortization bases since 1988, including actuarial gain and losses, against the IUAL balance. The green curve is the Net UAL for LASERS and TRSL and Net IUAL for STPOL that have been adjusted by the value of Texaco Funds. The UAL run-out values after 2001 are based on current amortization schedules. The blue curve shows the accumulating balance of the Texaco Account.

LOUISIANA STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM MEASURE OF FUNDING PROGRESS UNFUNDED ACCRUED LIABILITY BALANCE

IMPACT OF TEXACO PAYMENT ON UAL

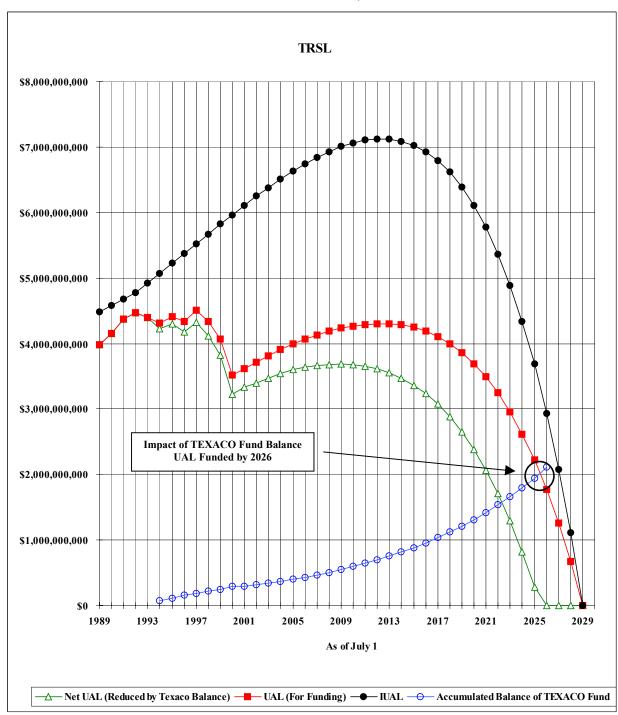
Values as of June 30, 2001



Note: prior to FY 1993 amortization payments are based on Act 81 (RS 1988) schedule; subsequent payments are based on Act 257 (RS 1992) schedule.

TEACHERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF LOUISIANA MEASURE OF FUNDING PROGRESS UNFUNDED ACCRUED LIABILITY BALANCE IMPACT OF TEXACO PAYMENT ON UAL

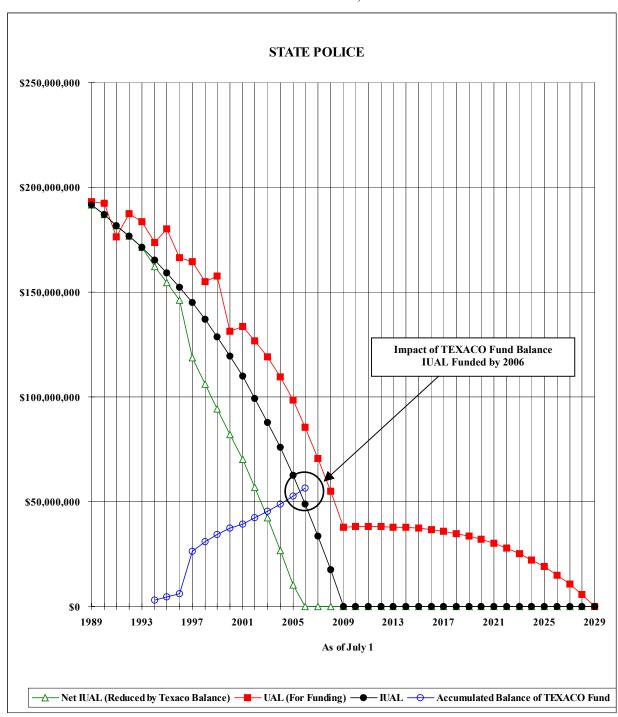
Values as of June 30, 2001



Note: prior to FY 1993 amortization payments are based on Act 81 (RS 1988) schedule; subsequent payments are based on Act 257 (RS 1992) schedule.

STATE POLICE PENSION & RETIREMENT SYSTEM MEASURE OF FUNDING PROGRESS UNFUNDED ACCRUED LIABILITY BALANCE IMPACT OF TEXACO PAYMENT ON IUAL

Values as of June 30, 2001



Note: prior to FY 1993 amortization payments are based on Act 81 (RS 1988) schedule; subsequent payments are based on Act 257 (RS 1992) schedule.

2. Operation of Experience Account - LASERS AND TRSL

Concern

Although the Experience Account (EA) balance may represent an amount of funds sufficient to cover the expected value of COLA benefits, it does not in itself provide the actual funding necessary to ultimately pay for COLA liabilities.

COLA Funding

The Experience Account is merely a temporary holding account. It does not fund COLA benefits. It only withholds and then releases portions of the investment experience derived from the plan's contributions (and earnings thereon). Those earnings are necessary to meet the actuarial assumed long-term average return of 8.25%. COLA's create additional benefit liability that increases the UAL. It is amortized to the year 2029 and paid with additional employer contributions.

Expected Return

Key to ultimately achieving the expected return is that all investment income is credited to the asset base (contributions and earnings) from which it is derived. If income is diverted for other purposes the assumed rate will not be achieved. This in turn destroys the required match between future benefit payments and assets available to pay for them. Additional contributions will be required from the employer to restore the funding balance between future assets and liabilities.

Impact on Funding

With exceptional investment returns during the nineties, the EA allocations withheld considerable trust income from the actuarial funding valuation. This kept the employer's contribution requirements higher than would have been required if those trust assets had been included. Unfortunately, when the reverse happens, and investments plummet as they did in 2001, true investment losses are withheld from the funding valuation and the calculated contributions do not adequately fund the system's expected liabilities under the actuarial funding method. This is further exacerbated by liabilities added from COLA's.

Impact on UAL

The legislative actuary recommends contribution rates independent of Experience Account interference. He asserts that the Experience Account is just a measuring device that the State can use to grant COLA's. The employer has total responsibility for funding the UAL balances. The only means to avoid an increase in the \$5.98 billion combined Valuation UAL of Teachers and LASERS is to fund for COLA's in advance, with additional appropriations, not from the plan's earnings.

Impact of Experience Account COLA Benefits on UAL

Experience Account Accumulations as of June 30, 2001 (\$millions)

System	LASERS	TRSL	Combined
Allocations	\$381.5	\$1,246.1	\$1,627.6
Interest	\$140.9	\$441.8	\$582.6
Disbursements	\$338.4	\$1,021.8	\$1,360.2
Balance	\$184.0	\$666.1	\$850.1

Expected COLA Impact on UAL	\$522.4	\$1,687.9	\$2,210.3
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3. Expansion of Military Service Credits

Concern

Emerging experience under recent legislation allowing subsidized military service credits indicates substantial potential usage and costs to the employer.

Act 1370 Experience

Act 1370 of the 1999 Regular Session allowed members of the Firefighters' Retirement System to receive subsidized service credits for active military

duty between 1/1/1960 and 12/21/1975. To purchase the credits, a member only needs to pay an amount equivalent to the contributions that would have been paid at the time of duty. Previously, these members were required to meet certain military criteria to be eligible to purchase the credit and also paid the actuarial cost of the additional benefits. The Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System has similar provisions.

Actuarial Impact

Within the year following enactment of Act 1370 over 25% of the eligible universe at firefighters purchased an average of 2.5 years of service credit. We estimate that the actuarial liability equates to \$38,600 per member purchase. The member was charged an average of \$1,500 as their share of the purchase, so the net remaining cost to the employer is estimated to be \$37,100 per member purchase. The military service subsidy has carried substantial costs to this system; increased UAL by an estimated \$5 million as of June 30, 2000. Expanding similar military benefit subsidies to other wartime periods and to other systems could result in significant increases to their unfunded liabilities and contribution requirements.

4. Cash Flow Concerns in a Bearish Market

Concern

Excluding investment income, the annual additions of the state systems do not meet their annual deductions. This could force the sale of investments into an unfavorable market to support cash flow requirements.

The larger state systems have committed significant allocations into equities (including alternative investments, private placements, REITS, and venture capital) and away from fixed income investments. These investments tend to be less liquid in bear markets, require additional cash commitments, and may pay minimal interest and dividend income.

Should the systems experience net investment losses for a sustained period it is probable they will be forced to liquidate certain investments at a loss to cover the plan benefit payments and expenses.

The following exhibit shows the additions (contributions) and deductions (benefits/expenses) for each state system as of June 30, 2001. In recent years positive investment income has been adequate to cover the net negative cash flow.

NET EXTERNAL CASH FLOW

Excluding Net Investment Income & Expense STATE SYSTEMS As of June 30, 2001 (\$millions)

System	Amounts Added	Amounts Deducted	Net External Cash Flow
	(a)	(b)	(a) - (b)
LASERS	\$401.9	\$502.7	(\$100.7)
TRSL	\$656.9	\$894.6	(\$237.7)
STPOL	\$26.1	\$20.5	\$5.5
LSERS	\$30.1	\$100.9	(\$70.7)
Combined	\$1,115.0	\$1,518.7	(\$403.7)

5. Funding of Optional Retirement Plan

Concern

ORP members are receiving a much higher contribution level than would be warranted if they were participating under the defined benefit plan during their working lifetime.

Based on experience studies, younger eligible employees are joining ORP instead of TRSL. This leaves a higher average age group represented by the remaining TRSL membership of LSU and other university employees. The employer normal cost as percent of payroll is the annual account allocation for the ORP members. It is based on TRSL defined benefit plan valuation results that excludes ORP members. The employer normal cost for the defined benefit plan is increasing as the TRSL group is aging, which directly benefits the younger ORP members at the expense of the employer.

As of December 31, 2001, there were 8,126 participants in ORP.

GROWTH OF ORP MEMBERSHIP (As Compared to TRSL)

Year	ORP	TRSL	Ratio (ORP to TRSL)
1992	3,775	86,244	4.4%
1993	4,196	85,143	4.9%
1994	4,780	86,079	5.6%
1995	5,290	84,671	6.2%
1996	5,712	84,849	6.7%
1997	6,195	85,169	7.3%
1998	6,690	85,772	7.8%
1999	7,181	85,419	8.4%
2000	7,581	85,462	8.9%
2001	8,126	84,694	9.6%

Note TRSL DROP actives excluded

6. Demographic Experience - TRSL

Concern

For TRSL the ratio of male to female members has steadily declined since 1979. As females become a greater portion of total membership, the cost implications to TRSL can be substantial because of the mortality differential.

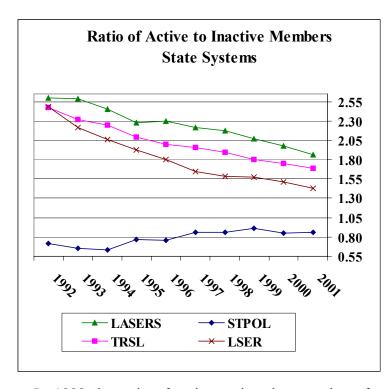
In 1979, males represented about 28.9% of the total active group. By 2001, that ratio has decreased to 17.4%. Based on current actuarial assumptions for funding, female annuity purchase rates are 3% higher than male rates at age 40, and 12.3% higher at age 65. Since a greater proportion of females will also enter their retirement years, the cost impact continues and is even greater, for example, at age 80 where the annuity purchase rate is 19.5% higher for females.

Use of sex distinct mortality rates assist in the actuarial funding of an emerging female liability trend. We may expect future increases in TRSL's annual cost because of this trend.

7. Plan Demographics

Concern

There is a decreasing trend in the number of active to inactive members for state and statewide retirement systems. Trend-line projections indicate that the ratios could be approaching 1.0 for some systems by the end of the decade. This trend has a direct impact on cash flow and employer funding requirements as benefit payouts accelerate.



TRSL

In 1992 the ratio of active to inactive members for TRSL stood at 2.48. By 2001 the ratio drops to 1.69.

LASERS

The ratio of active to inactive membership has also decreased for LASERS, 2.59 in 1992 to 1.86 in 2001.

LSERS

LSERS pattern is more striking, 2.48 in 1992 to 1.43 in 2001.

STPOL

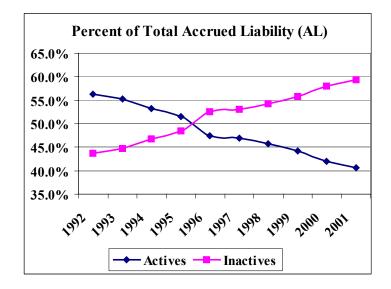
The ratio for State Police has been below 1.0 since 1989. As of 2001, there are 943 active members and 1,094 inactive members, a ratio of 0.86.

Accrued Liability Trends

As expected the increasing trend in the number of inactives relative to actives causes a similar pattern with accrued liability. The following table illustrates the impact on emerging liabilities for the state plans combined. Since 1992, the inactive liability has increased from 43.6% to 59.4% of the total accrued liability.

Combined State System Liability Funding Trends

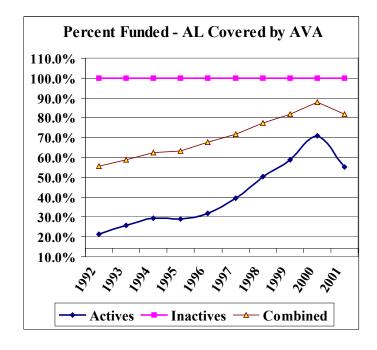
Percent of Total Accrued Liability					
Fiscal Year:	Actives	Inactives			
1992	56.4%	43.6%			
1993	55.2%	44.8%			
1994	53.2%	46.8%			
1995	51.6%	48.4%			
1996	47.4%	52.6%			
1997	47.0%	53.0%			
1998	45.7%	54.3%			
1999	44.3%	55.7%			
2000	42.0%	58.0%			
2001	40.6%	59.4%			



The following set of columns demonstrates the development of funding for active and inactive accrued liabilities. Assets are first allocated to cover 100% of the inactive liabilities. The remainder is then compared to active liabilities. Since 1992, the active funded ratio has increased from 21.2% to 71.0% in FY 2000. It then decreased to 55.1% during FY 2001, a significant drop.

Combined State System Liability Funding Trends

Percent Funded					
Fiscal Year:	Actives	Inactives	Combined		
1992	21.2%	100.0%	55.6%		
1993	25.7%	100.0%	59.0%		
1994	29.5%	100.0%	62.5%		
1995	29.1%	100.0%	63.4%		
1996	31.8%	100.0%	67.7%		
1997	39.6%	100.0%	71.6%		
1998	50.5%	100.0%	77.4%		
1999	58.7%	100.0%	81.7%		
2000	71.0%	100.0%	87.8%		
2001	55.1%	100.0%	81.8%		



Statewide Systems

The statewide retirement systems show varying degrees of change in the ratio of active to inactive members over the 10-year period 1992 to 2001.

Ratio of Active To Retired Population				
Fiscal Year:	1992	2001	Trend	
ASSR	1.61	1.48	Ľ	
CCRS	3.36	2.71	ĸ	
DARS	4.36	3.53	ĸ	
FRS	2.78	2.31	ĸ	
MERSA	2.85	1.96	ĸ	
MERSB	2.83	2.52	ĸ	
MPERS	1.47	1.66	71	
PERSA	3.31	2.78	ĸ	
PERSB	3.99	4.28	71	
RVRS	1.81	1.64	ĸ	
SPRF	4.62	5.01	7	
Total Statewide	2.88	2.71	K	

8. Impact of COLA Increases on Retiree Benefits

Concern

The average benefit since retirement of a retiree from the four state retirement systems has increased 1.5% per year. Comparable to this period, the CPI (Consumer Price Index) has increased an average of 3.2% per year. The 1.7% difference has narrowed sharply compared to the 2.6% spread in our 6/30/96 study with values of 1.1% and 3.7%, respectively.

COLA Policy

At the request of the legislature, the legislative actuary in the Legislative Auditor's Office has studied the impact of inflation on retiree benefit levels. Unfortunately, the state has had to focus on improving the funding position for future benefits that are promised by law. This has left any provisions for retiree COLA increases to erratic solutions and special interest legislation. Existing methods have not given desired results and leave retirees unsure of the state's policy toward COLAs. Also of concern is the impact that these ad hoc methods will ultimately have on overall funding. Since providing our Experience Account analysis to the Legislature, we have continued to focus on two issues:

- 1. The current method of detouring fund assets to measure COLA benefit increases, through the Experience Account, impacts the actuarial soundness of the funding methods and interest assumptions.
- 2. The study of retiree benefits and COLAs relate to employer/state benefit objectives and budgeting concerns. The adequacy and level of our retirees' benefits should be determined by the state, since the state, and related employers, are ultimately responsible for payment of all promised benefits.

Act 402 of the 1999 Regular Session establishes a COLA formula for TRSL and LASERS. The COLA provides an annual CPI increase for benefits up to 2%. This was extended to 3% under Acts 1016 and 1172 of the 2001 Regular Session if the system at least earns the actuarial assumed interest rate of

8.25%. The law also limited COLAs to the first \$70,000 of benefit.

For comparison, the following exhibit displays the average annual rates for actual benefit (COLA) increases and CPI inflation increases, for those who retired 5, 10,15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 years ago.

AVERAGE ANNUAL BENEFIT INCREASE FOR RETIREES SINCE RETIREMENT Average Annual Rate of Increase From Retirement Date to 6/30/2001

LASERS

Years Retired	Average Annual Rate of Increase
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0	0.0%
5	1.4%
10	1.0%
15	1.1%
20	1.8%
25	2.4%
30	2.6%
35	2.5%
GROUP WTD. AVG.	1.4%

TRSL

Years	Average Annual
Retired	Rate of Increase
0	0.0%
5	1.5%
10	1.1%
15	1.0%
20	1.5%
25	2.1%
30	2.1%
35	2.0%
GROUP WTD. AVG.	1.4%

AVERAGE ANNUAL BENEFIT INCREASE FOR RETIREES SINCE RETIREMENT Average Annual Rate of Increase From Retirement Date to 6/30/2001

LSERS

Years	Average Annual
Retired	Rate of Increase
0	0.0%
5	3.8%
10	3.7%
15	3.7%
20	3.8%
25	3.9%
30	4.2%
35	4.1%
GROUP WTD. AVG.	3.7%

STPOL

Years	Avg. Annual
Retired	Rate of Increase
0	0.0%
5	1.7%
10	1.0%
15	1.0%
20	1.0%
25	1.7%
30	2.0%
35	2.8%
GROUP WTD. AVG.	1.2%

Consumer Price Index

Years Retired	Avg. Annual Rate of Increase
0	0.0%
5	2.6%
10	2.7%
15	3.3%
20	3.4%
25	4.7%
30	5.1%
35	5.0%
GROUP WTD. AVG.	3.2%

Consumer Price Index (CPI) - All Urban Consumers: All Items; Not seasonally adjusted; U.S. City average

9. Minimum Employer Contribution Limits Under State Constitution

Concern

We are concerned of ramifications to the state if the Employer Credit Account is subsequently determined to be contrary to the constitutional minimum contribution requirements. Additionally, withdrawing assets from funding to establish a prior balance upsets the actuarial soundness of the funding method.

Constitutional Minimum

Louisiana's Constitution requires the legislature to set the member's contribution such that it will not exceed a fixed portion of the total contribution to the retirement system until the original UAL established in 1988 is fully funded. For example, to comply with the requirements, the employer must contribute at least 12 percent for LASERS and 11.8 percent for TRSL based on the employee contribution rates. Upon elimination of the original unfunded liability, the IUAL, the member's contribution cannot exceed the amount contributed on his behalf by the employer.

LSERS (School Employees') is the only state system that has eliminated the original unfunded liability. For this system, the constitutional minimum employer contribution of 6.0% of payroll will exceed the actuarially determined contribution of 1.5% for FY 2002. This will require an excess payment by the employer of \$11.4 million (page 6 of report).

Employer Credit Account

Act 1331 of the 1999 Regular Session allows state plans to reduce the annual employer contribution against balances in the Employer Credit Account (ECA). As of the June 30, 2001 valuation date, LSERS is the only state plan which has an ECA. Act 14 of the 2000 First Extraordinary Session sets the beginning balance for this system at \$56,754,405. It is our understanding that LSERS employers intend to omit their entire 6% of pay contribution for the plan year ending June 30, 2002 (\$15.1 million) and offset it against the ECA.

Concern regarding interpretation and funding of the ECA statute:

- If ECA was intended to apply only to full funded plans, the statute is unclear in stating that intention. LSERS is currently the only full funded state plan.
- Establishing a prior ECA balance from assets previously allocated to funding disrupts the funding method and is potentially contrary to actuarial soundness.

Constitutionality concern:

• The ECA appears to bypass the constitutional requirement for a minimum employer/employee contribution relationship. An alternative to reducing the employer's contribution with the ECA is to reduce employee contributions.

10. LEGISLATIVE CONCERN: Past Investment Experience is Not Necessarily Indicative of Future Expected Returns

Concern

Double-digit investment growth has disappeared and trust investments appear poised for negative returns towards traditional average expectations. Irrational exuberance regarding the trusts ability to provide for benefit increases with earnings could jeopardize our funded status in the future.

Funded Ratios

Our economy was strong during the nineties and we were fortunate that our investments provided very favorable returns, as is expected in a bull market phase of a market cycle. Hopefully, we will be able to retain a portion of this actuarial investment gain because of the technological revolution.

Unfortunately, we cannot expect to avoid actuarial investment losses if our funding return rate is appropriate (8.25% for LASERS and TRSL). Since most of the improvement in funded ratios, assets to liabilities, results from actuarial investment gains it is reasonable to expect a retraction with future actuarial losses.

If the actuarial assumptions are realized, as should be expected, investment actuarial gains and losses (returns under or over the assumed 8.25% rate) should zero out leaving outstanding balances of the original IUAL plus any additional liability charges. This includes charges for benefit enhancements including COLAs, early retirement allowances, death benefits, DROP Account benefits, and so forth. Unfunded liabilities are amortized under increasing payment schedule. Current payments under these schedules are not yet high enough to cover even the required interest charges, so the initial balances of each schedule have not been reduced. Therefore, as future actuarial investment losses offset the past gains, the funded ratios will shrink to the original values at each establishment date. actuarially unsound to assume otherwise.

Annual Rates of Return * (Market Value Basis)

State Systems:

System	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999	5 Yr MV Cmpd Avg Annual Return	Expected Long Term Actuarial Return
LASERS	-6.25%	11.14%	8.44%	8.16%	8.25%
TRSL	-4.73%	13.58%	9.00%	10.12%	8.25%
STPOL	-0.56%	4.59%	5.93%	8.94%	7.50%
LSERS	-1.85%	7.96%	9.05%	9.87%	7.50%

Statewide Systems:

System	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999	5 Yr MV Cmpd Avg Annual Return	Expected Long Term Actuarial Return
ASSR	-10.1%	7.7%	5.1%	5.9%	8.0%
CCRS	-1.5%	4.2%	10.5%	9.8%	8.0%
DARS	-9.7%	17.1%	8.3%	9.8%	8.0%
FRS	-2.9%	3.5%	6.9%	6.6%	7.0%
MERSA	-4.2%	9.1%	8.2%	8.5%	8.0%
MERSB	-4.2%	8.4%	7.9%	8.4%	8.0%
MPERS	-3.4%	3.7%	9.3%	7.4%	7.0%
PERSA	n/a	7.2%	3.8%	10.1%	8.0%
PERSB	n/a	5.4%	4.0%	8.5%	8.0%
RVRS	5.9%	0.8%	4.9%	7.7%	8.0%
SPRF	-0.8%	5.2%	5.6%	7.4%	8.0%

^{* 6/30} FYE & 2001 Valuation, except Assessors' 9/30 & 2001 and Parochial 12/31 & 2000 (prior year values)

Texaco Funds

A strength to our funded status are the Texaco Funds, established and protected by the constitution to be held in the trust for ultimate elimination of the IUAL balances. If these funds are diverted for other funding purposes it would further damage our future funded status.

11. LEGISLATIVE CONCERN: Enhancements to Public Plans are Actual or Potential Liabilities to the State.

Concern

Various bills have been passed with proponents implying that the benefit enhancements do not create a potential liability to the state. In most cases these are misleading or unfounded assertions encouraging the bills to pass.

General

Most of the following systems have reached or exceeded the limits of current state funded resources. As the costs of major benefit enhancements and considerable COLA liability emerge, coupled with investment losses, the contribution portion required from local funding may increase dramatically. This could cause a strain on local governmental units who may then turn to the state for assistance through additional appropriation and taxation of our citizens. This is already apparent with Firefighters System.

ASSR

Assessors was granted an 11% increase to the future pension benefit accrual rate, from 3% to 3½%. Effective 7/1/2001 the accrual rate for past service was also increased to 3½%. To help pay for this the member's future contribution rate was increased from 7% to 8%. The employer pays for a significant portion of the substantial past service cost increase.

This is a public entity, not a private business. About 67% of the required contribution from public funds is state allocated ad valorem taxes and revenue sharing.

CCRS

Clerks of Court was granted an 11% increase to the future pension benefit accrual rate, from 3% to 31/3%. The employer pays the total cost of this increase.

It was argued that the contribution is fully paid from fees charged to the public by their office. This is a public entity, not a private business. Almost half of the required contribution from public funds is state allocated ad valorem taxes and revenue sharing. **FRS**

The funding for Firefighters is paid from local appropriations and a state portion from the insurance premium tax fund (IPTF). The projected employer contribution from public funds has increased 110% since FY 1999, from \$16.6 million to the \$34.9 million projected for FY 2002.

The FY 2002 maximum available from the state's IPTF allocation was \$15.1 million. Since funds available from IPTF are not adequate to complete the required funding for FY 2002, a funding shortage of \$9.6 million is expected. This will be amortized beginning in FY 2003 as additional future contributions. Remaining IPTF amounts would have been deposited into the state's general funds had they not been required.

Members of LSERS, a significant portion being school bus drivers, were granted a pension benefit accrual rate increase to 31/3% effective July 1, 2001.

Previous rates varied from 2.5% to 3.0%. To help pay for this the member's future contribution rate was increased from 6.35% to 7.5%.

The employer pays for a significant portion of the substantial past service cost increase. As a result, the employer's projected actuarial cost increased to \$18.3 million (7% of pay) from \$3.7 million (1.5% of pay) in the prior year. For the past several years, additional new employer contributions have not been made in lieu of charges against trust assets separated

as the Employer Credit Account (ECA).

A provision of this law requires an increase in the employee contribution rate to pay the cost of the additional benefits if the system does not remain in a fully funded position. It is likely that the system will not be fully funded for FYE 2002. The funded ratio for FYE 2001 was 102.9% compared to 120.5% for FYE 2000. That would likely trigger the employee's contribution rate increase. Should this happen it is probable that new employer contributions, 6% of pay minimum, would be required into the trust. This results since ECA credit is not allowed if the employee contributions exceeds half of the normal cost. As of FYE 2001 the employee normal cost ratio was 48.4%. Any required employee rate increase to

LSERS

offset the additional benefit cost would move the ratio above the 50% ECA trigger.

RVRS

Registrars of Voters was granted an 11% increase to the future pension benefit accrual rate, from 3% to $3\frac{1}{3}$ % effective July 1, 1999. The employer pays the total cost of this increase.

This is a public entity, not a private business. All of the required contribution from public funds is paid by state allocated ad valorem taxes and revenue sharing.

SPRF

Sheriffs was granted an increase in the pension benefit accrual rate, to a uniform rate of 3.33%, for all years of service under Act 496 of 1999 Regular Session. The prior accrual rates varied from 2.5% to 3.25% depending upon years of credited service. To help pay for this the member's future contribution rate was increased by 11.5%, from 8.7% to 9.7%. Since FY 1999 total public funds expense increased by 108.4%, from \$21.4 to the \$44.6 million projected for FY 2002. However, the state pays for a significant portion of the employer's contribution increase, which included a substantial past service cost.

The state's portion includes ad valorem taxes, revenue sharing and the insurance premium tax fund (IPTF). Ad valorem taxes and revenue sharing contribute about \$8.5 million or 19.1%. In FY 1999, prior to the benefit increase, the plan did not require any IPTF money. FY 2000 required \$2.0 million and FY 2001 required \$3.3 million. The FY 2002 requirement leaped to the maximum \$9.1 million available from IPTF.

Since funds available from IPTF are not adequate to complete the required funding for FY 2002, a funding shortage of \$2.2 million is expected. This will be amortized beginning in FY 2003 as additional future contributions. Remaining IPTF amounts would have been deposited into the state's general funds had they not been required for funding the benefit increases.

12. LEGISLATIVE CONCERN: Trending Towards Paying Full Benefits to Actives Upon Reaching Retirement Age.

Concern

Payment of benefits prior to actual retirement can add considerable cost to a members pension liability whether paid in the form of DROP benefits or rehired retiree benefits. It appears reasonable to consider whether public employees who are under age 60 should be paid what are essentially bonus checks while actively working. Proponents for DROP and full rehired retiree benefits have not differentiated between working bonuses for younger members and benefits at realistic retirement ages. As a result, the state and statewide plans are absorbing substantial additional liabilities through early payments to public workers that have little relationship to retirement. Partial or misleading arguments are encouraging these bills to pass without adequate considerations of cost or employer objectives.

TRSL - Professors

Proponents urged and were granted immediate unreduced retirement benefits plus full salary for university professors who were DROP retirees and return to work. The provisions of the proposed bill were enacted under Act 18 of the Second Extraordinary 2000 Special Session. It was argued that the cost of this expensive benefit would be paid by the hiring public institutions. Once again, this is not a for profit private business, it's a public entity receiving state funds.

TRSL - All

Act 1173 of the 2001 Regular Session allows all TRSL members who retire, or are retired, and are then rehired to receive full salary and full benefit payments without return-to-work benefit reductions. Payment of full benefits in addition to full salary does not begin until 12 months from the date of retirement.

TRSL - LAE

Act 1046 of the 2001 Regular Session allows any non-bargaining employee who retires and is then rehired to receive full salary and full benefit payments immediately, without benefit reductions or waiting period. This special legislation appears to have been

for the benefit of one individual employee of the Louisiana Association of Educators (LAE).

LASERS - All

Proponents urged and were granted Act 455 of the 2001 Regular Session to allow all LASERS members who retire, or are retired, and are then rehired to receive full salary, full benefits, and the full additional accrual of benefits without return-to-work benefit reductions. Payment of full benefits in addition to full salary and additional accrual does not begin until 12 months from the date of retirement except for members who retired an rehired prior to July 1, 2001. This resulted in substantial antiselection against current retirement rate assumptions especially by members at Corrections immediately retired and returned to work under the significant benefits allowed with this legislation.

13. LEGISLATIVE CONCERN: Impact of AG Opinion on DROP Interest Credited by TRSL and LASERS.

Concern

A recent opinion from the State Attorney General appears to eliminate reductions to segregated DROP account balances for investment experience. This deviates from normal retirement plan administration and is contrary to the actuarial soundness of the plan's funding..

The system's funding assumptions includes an expectation for investment returns earned by the trust's assets. This assumed rate is applied to determine the actuarial funding requirements of the system and applies to all potential benefit liability, including those of any segregated or sub-accounts under the plan. Since the plan is required by law to apply the actuarial return to DROP balances, this inherently becomes part of the actuarial funding return assumption. If in fact, the system is forced to guarantee the sub-accounts against investment losses, it renders the return assumption to be unreasonable and the funding actuarially unsound.

It is natural that there should be investment losses, just as there are gains, in achieving the average expected return rate. If DROP accounts were not to be credited with investment losses it would appear appropriate to credit and thus invest such assets in separate investments expected to avoid negative returns, such as treasury bills. This would preserve the actuarial soundness of the system's funding and maintain reasonableness of the actuarial return assumption.

Based on the system actuarial valuations as of June 30, 2001 the following estimated combined systems cost of this opinion for fiscal year 2001 is \$3.1 million. This applies the average applicable investment loss of only 0.33% to the combined balance. This is illustrated in the following table.

ESTIMATED FY 2001 COST OF DROP AG INVESTMENT OPINION

On June 30, 2001 DROP Balances

System	DROP Account Balance	DROP Account Yield	Cost Impact
	(a)	(b)	(a) x (b)
LASERS	\$344,794,272	- 0.13%	(\$448,233)
TRSL	\$593,414,957	- 0.45%	(\$2,670,367)
Combined	\$938,209,229	- 0.33%	(\$3,118,600)